

# House File 697 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 82)

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Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to interference with judicial acts, and providing  
2 a penalty.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
4 TLSB 1405HV 83  
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 720.7 INTERFERENCE WITH JUDICIAL  
1 2 ACTS == PENALTY.  
1 3 1. As used in this section:  
1 4 a. "Court employee" means the same as defined in section  
1 5 602.1101.  
1 6 b. "Family member" means a spouse, son, daughter, brother,  
1 7 sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, grandfather,  
1 8 grandmother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law,  
1 9 daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, father,  
1 10 mother, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter,  
1 11 stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, or half sister.  
1 12 c. "Judicial officer" means the same as defined in section  
1 13 602.1101.  
1 14 2. A person who harasses a judicial officer, court  
1 15 employee, or a family member of a judicial officer or a court  
1 16 employee in violation of section 708.7, with the intent to  
1 17 interfere with or improperly influence, or in retaliation for,  
1 18 the official acts of a judicial officer or court employee,  
1 19 commits an aggravated misdemeanor.  
1 20 EXPLANATION  
1 21 This bill relates to interference with judicial acts.  
1 22 Under the bill, a person who harasses a judicial officer,  
1 23 court employee, or a family member of a judicial officer or  
1 24 court employee in violation of Code section 708.7, with the  
1 25 intent to interfere with or improperly influence, or in  
1 26 retaliation for, the official acts of a judicial officer or  
1 27 court employee, commits an aggravated misdemeanor.  
1 28 An aggravated misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for  
1 29 no more than two years and a fine of at least \$625 but not  
1 30 more than \$6,250.  
1 31 LSB 1405HV 83  
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